

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 764 without my signature.

Although I support the prohibition of individuals charging advance fees for mortgage loan modifications, I do not agree with the provision of this bill that will only allow fees to be collected if a modification is successful. This could adversely affect legitimate businesses that provide loan modification services. As such, I am signing SB 94 that accomplishes this prohibition against advance fees without unnecessarily harming legitimate companies.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger